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a retention chamber formed on the underside of the holder; and  
bores formed in the bottom surface of the scoop-receiving pocket for permitting material to pass from the scoop-receiving pocket into the retention chamber.

21. (Amended) A cat litter scoop holder for a cat litter scoop, the cat litter scoop holder comprising:

- a pedestal base;
- a retainer lip extending upwardly from the base;
- an upwardly extending rear wall that is spaced from the retainer lip, wherein the rear wall has a height that is higher than a height of the retainer lip;
- wherein the retainer lip and the rear wall define a pocket that is dimensioned and configured to receive a cat litter scoop;
- a retention chamber formed on the underside of the holder; and
- bores formed in the bottom surface of the scoop-receiving pocket for permitting material to pass from the scoop-receiving pocket into the retention chamber.

24. (Amended) A cat litter scoop holder for a cat litter scoop, the cat litter scoop holder comprising:

- a pedestal base;
- a retainer lip extending upwardly from the base;
- an upwardly extending rear wall that is spaced from the retainer lip and that has a pair of intumed flanges with one of the flanges disposed along substantially the entire length of one side of the rear wall and the other one of the flanges disposed along substantially the entire length of the other side of the rear wall;
- wherein the retainer lip and the rear wall define a scoop-receiving pocket;
- a retention chamber formed on the underside of the holder; and
- bores formed in the bottom surface of the scoop-receiving pocket for permitting material to pass from the scoop-receiving pocket into the retention chamber.

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25. (Amended) A cat litter scoop holder for a cat litter scoop, the cat litter scoop holder comprising:
- a pedestal base;
  - an outwardly inclined retainer wall that extends outwardly from adjacent the rear wall;
  - an upwardly extending rear wall that is spaced from the retainer lip;
  - wherein the retainer lip and the rear wall define a scoop-receiving pocket;
  - a retention chamber formed on the underside of the holder; and
  - bores formed in the bottom surface of the scoop-receiving pocket for permitting material to pass from the scoop-receiving pocket into the retention chamber.

Please add the following new claims:

27. (New) In combination:
- a. a cat litter scoop comprising
    - a handle, and
    - a generally concave scoop portion extending from the handle and having a pair of sidewalls and a bottom wall extending between the sidewalls; and
  - b. a cat litter scoop holder comprising
    - a base,
    - a retainer lip extending upwardly from the base, and
    - a rear wall that is spaced from the retainer lip,

wherein the retainer lip extends outwardly from adjacent the rear wall, and wherein the retainer lip and the rear wall define a scoop-receiving pocket dimensioned and configured to receive the scoop.

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